

Corps of Engineers Civil Works program, after receiving testimony from Claudia L. Tornblom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Management and Budget/Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Works, and Lt. Gen. Robert B. Flowers, USA, Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, both of the Department of the Army.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Grant D. Aldonas, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, John B. Taylor, of California, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs, and Scott Whitaker, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Legislation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FEDERAL TAX CODE COMPLEXITY

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the complexity of the federal tax code and proposed recommendations to create a more efficient and simplified tax code, receiving testimony from Lindy L. Paull, Chief of Staff, Joint Committee on Taxation; Claudia Hill, Cupertino, California, on behalf of the National Association of Enrolled Agents; Richard M. Lipton, on behalf of the American Bar Association, and Pamela J. Pecarich, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, both of Washington, D.C.; and Betty M. Wilson, MGM Mirage, Las Vegas, Nevada, on behalf of Tax Executives Institute, Inc.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, Paula J. Dobriansky, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Global Affairs, Lincoln P. Bloomfield, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Political-Military Affairs, Richard Nathan Haass, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of Service as Director, Policy Planning Staff, and James Andrew Kelly, of Hawaii, to be Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, all of the Department of State, and Andrew S. Natsios, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Prior to this action, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Kelly (listed above), after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Inouye and Akaka, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

ASSISTED LIVING

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to evaluate current developments in assisted living facilities, focusing on consumer protection, state regulations, staff training, and assistance with medications, after receiving testimony from Senator Clinton; Esther Gallow, Booker T. Community Outreach, Inc., Monroe, Louisiana; Bill Southerland, Bill Southerland's Residential Care Homes, Eagle, Idaho; Karen Love, Consumer Consortium on Assisted Living, and Emelia-Louise Kilby, both of Arlington, Virginia; and Margaret Thompson, Thompson, White and Associates, Huntsville, Alabama, on behalf of the Assisted Living Federation of America.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 52 public bills, H.R. 1594–1645; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 110–116, and H. Res. 124–126, were introduced. **Pages H1657–60**

Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Ryan of Wisconsin to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1607**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Metropolitan Stephan F. Petrovich,

Archbishop and Primate of New York, Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church in the United States of America. **Page H1607**

House of Representatives Page Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Shimkus and Wilson to the House of Representatives Page Board. **Page H1610**

First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Mr. Neil Armstrong of Lebanon, Ohio to the First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board.

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James Madison Commemoration Advisory Committee: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Dr. Charles R. Kesler of Claremont, California and Mr. Randy Wright of Richmond, Virginia to the James Madison Commemoration Advisory Committee. **Page H1610**

Committee Resignation—Veterans' Affairs: Read a letter from Representative Peterson of Minnesota wherein he resigned from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. **Page H1610**

Unborn Victims of Violence Act: The House passed H.R. 503, to amend title 18, United States Code, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice to protect unborn children from assault and murder, by a yea and nay vote of 252 yeas to 172 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 89. **Pages H1612–50**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment printed in H. Rept. 107–50 that makes a technical change to the title of the new section in the Uniform Code of Military Justice was considered as adopted. **Page H1613**

Rejected the Lofgren amendment in the nature of a substitute, numbered 1 and printed in the Congressional Record of April 24, that sought to establish a federal crime for violent or assaultive conduct against a pregnant woman that interrupts or terminates her pregnancy by a recorded vote of 196 yeas to 229 noes, Roll No. 88. **Pages H1640–49**

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes to the bill. **Page H1650**

Earlier, H. Res. 119, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote. **Pages H1610–12**

National Children's Memorial Flag Day: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 110, expressing the sense of the Congress in support of National Children's Memorial Flag Day. **Pages H1651–52**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Hoyer, Cardin, Slaughter, and Hastings of Florida to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. **Page H1652**

Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Taylor of Mississippi to the Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy. **Page H1652**

Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of April 30. **Pages H1650–51**

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, May 1: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Friday it adjourn to

meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1 for morning-hour debate. **Page H1651**

Private Calendar: Agreed to dispense with the call of the private calendar on Tuesday, May 1. **Page H1651**

Meeting Hour—Wednesday, May 2: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 2. **Page H1651**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of May 2, 2001. **Page H1651**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on page **Page H1607**

Referral: S. 350 was referred to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure. **Page H1656**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on Pages H1649 and H1649–50. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM COMMODITY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, with the sugar industry. Testimony was heard from Ray VanDriessche, President, American Sugarbeet Growers Association.

Hearings continue May 2.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Secretary of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from Ann M. Veneman, Secretary of Agriculture.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on the Secretary of State. Testimony was heard from Colin L. Powell, Secretary of State.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Economic Development. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia: Eric Price, Deputy Mayor, Planning and Economic Development; Elinor R. Bacon, President and CEO, and